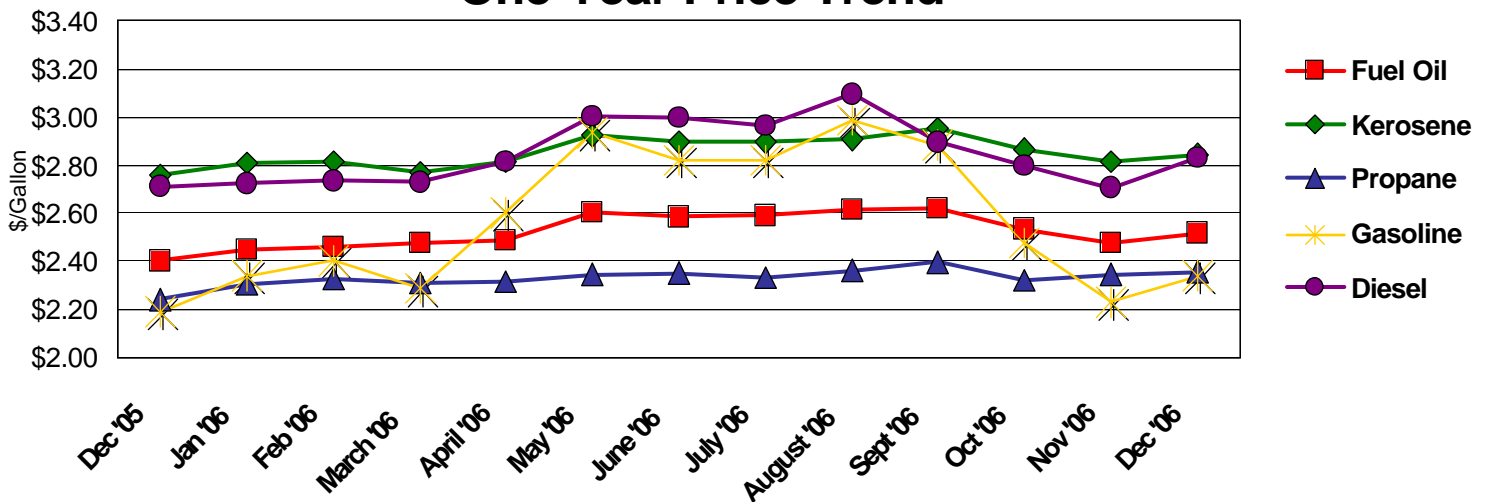


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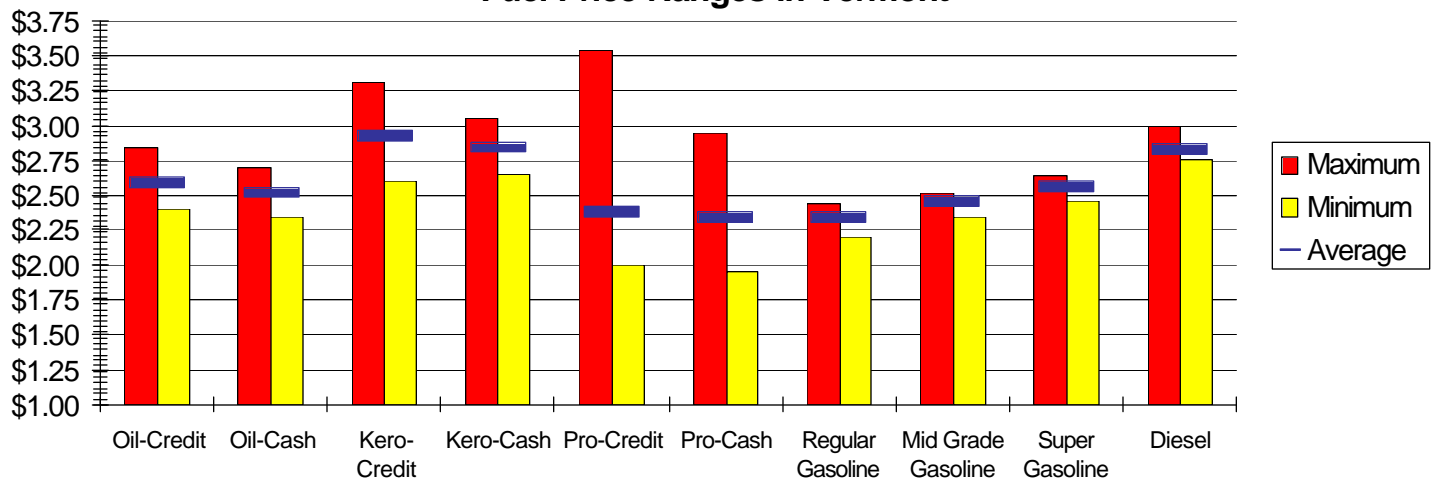
One-Year Price Trend



Vermont Average Retail Petroleum Prices (per gallon)

	Dec '06	Nov '06	%change	Dec '05	%change
No. 2 Fuel Oil	\$2.51	\$2.48	1.49%	\$2.40	4.72%
Kerosene	\$2.84	\$2.81	1.15%	\$2.76	3.16%
Propane	\$2.36	\$2.35	0.48%	\$2.24	5.29%
Reg. Unleaded Gasoline	\$2.34	\$2.23	5.08%	\$2.19	6.85%
Diesel	\$2.83	\$2.71	4.57%	\$2.71	4.50%

Fuel Price Ranges in Vermont

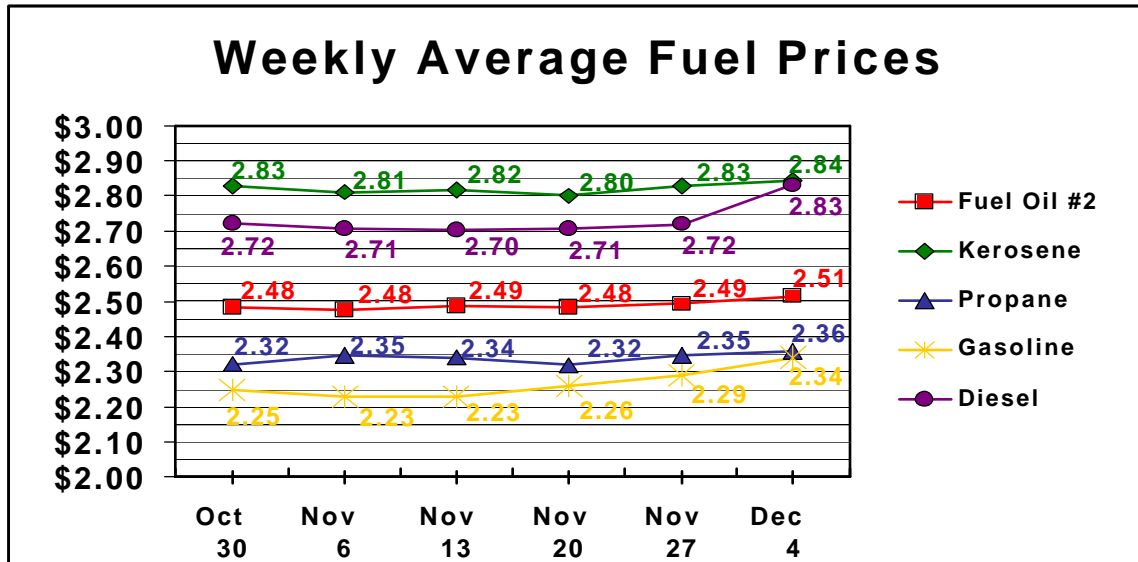


Gasoline and Diesel Prices

The Energy Information Administration (EIA) has reported that as of December 4th the national average retail price of regular gasoline increased to \$2.30 per gallon, which is 15 cents higher than this time last year. The New England average retail price was slightly higher at \$2.31. The average retail price of diesel was \$2.62, which is 19 cents higher than the same time last year. The New England average price was considerably higher at \$2.72 per gallon.

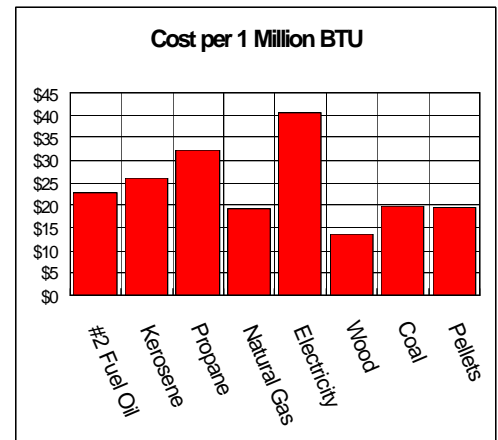
Crude Oil

EIA's December 6th edition of *This Week in Petroleum* reports that crude oil prices are on the rise, mostly due to the recent cold weather, which is increasing demand for heating oil and in turn increasing demand for crude oil. This has also had the effect of increasing the price for other petroleum products such as gasoline. The announcement by OPEC that they may further decrease oil production in the near future has also impacted crude oil prices.



Comparing the Cost of Heating Fuels

Type of Energy	BTU/unit	Adj Effic	\$/unit	\$/MMBtu
Fuel Oil, gallon	138,200	80%	\$2.51	\$22.74
Kerosene, gallon	136,600	80%	\$2.84	\$26.03
Propane, gallon	91,600	80%	\$2.36	\$32.17
Natural Gas, therm	100,000	80%	\$1.54	\$19.25
Electricity, kwh	3,412	100%	\$0.14	\$40.62
Wood, cord (green)	22,000,000	60%	\$180.00	\$13.64
Coal, ton	24,000,000	60%	\$285.00	\$19.79
Pellets, ton	16,400,000	80%	\$257.00	\$19.59



Heating Oil and Propane

For the period ending December 4th, the national average residential heating oil price was \$2.44 per gallon and the New England average price was \$2.41 per gallon. The national average residential price for propane was \$1.97 and the New England average price was \$2.35.

Additional information is available in the EIA "*This Week in Petroleum*" at: www.eia.doe.gov

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